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Re: Application of:

David S. Breed et al.

Serial No.:

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For:

Vehicular Seats Including Occupant Protection Apparatus

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2002 which set a shortened statutory period for reply on October 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please enter proposed revised Figs. 3, 6 and 7 submitted with a Letter to the Draftsperson.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

a1 --1) An occupant can get a whiplash injury in fairly low velocity rear impacts; thus, either the system will not protect occupants in such accidents or there will be a large number of low velocity deployments with the resulting significant repair expense.--